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Dear Surt:

At the time of our meeting in Los Angeles on October 4 in the late afternoon session devoted to administrative matters, you mentioned your feeling that your organization would require additional shop space in each of the overseas bases in connection with the advent of Systems 3 and 4 in the field. I believe you also remarked that you considered the shop space available for you at Base 2 as inadequate at the present moment, even without the requirements imposed by these new systems.

Since you indicated that at one point you had furnished this Headquarters with complete shop space requirements on the entire package of systems, I checked with our Material people on my return to see how your organization was fairing--particularly at Base 2. I learned that you submitted to us a plan of requisite space facilities dated 5 December 1955, in which you requested space 60 x 20 feet or 1200 square feet. I learned also that the space available to you at Detachment 2 is 44 x 40 feet or 1760 square feet. Of this square footage at least 1600 square feet is considered useable area.

Naturally, we are interested in doing everything we can to see that adequate provision is made for a good working area for your people, but in view of the above information I am presently at a loss to know in what manner the available footage appears inadequate. I understand that at least at Detachment 2 there is sufficient electrical power to meet your stated requirements; but if there is any area in which we have failed to respond to your requirements, would you be good enough to let me know and to detail the exact additional space and/or power requirements you have.

It was a pleasure to meet you finally after having heard of you for such a long time, and I hope that together we can work out what will be a suitable physical arrangement for your people in the field.

With best regards

Sincerely,

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